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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the pending Final Office Action of May 7, 2003, the period for response to which extends until August 7, 2003, the applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of the pending claims.

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are currently pending in this application. In a May 7, 2003 Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-10 and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious and unpatentable over United States Patent No. 5,912,864 ("Maurer") in view of United States Patent No. 5,810,685 ("Willner et al."). The Examiner rejected claims 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Maurer in view of Willner et al. in further view of United States Patent No. 5,468,000 ("Bennett"). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

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